09/547,034 Application Number REQUEST **FOR** Confirmation Number 4164 CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) April 11, 2000 Filing Date TRANSMITTALP E Michael B. NUN First Named Inventor MAIL STOP RCE Group Art Unit 2188 JUL 0 7 2004 Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 **Examiner Name** John M. ROSS Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Matter Number Q58178 Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, A METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR provides for continued examination of an utility or WIRE-SPEED APPLICATION LAYER plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995

CLASSIFICATION OF DATA PACKETS□□ Title This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. 1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 a.

Previously submitted Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 i. 🗆 previously filed on Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on ii. 🗆 iii. 🗆 Other Enclosed b. **☑** JUL 0 9 2004 Amendment/Reply Technology Center 2100 ii. 🗆 Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) iii.□ Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) Petition for Extension of Time iv. 🗆 v. D Other 2. MISCELLANEOUS Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a a. 🗆 period of ____ months b. □ Other 3. FEES A check for the RCE statutory fee of \$770.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached. **CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS** Direct all correspondence to the address for SUGHRUE MION, PLLC filed under the Customer Number listed below: 07/4972084 ANDNDAF1 00000012-09547034> WASHINGTON OFFICE 23373 770:00 BP C:1801 CUSTOMER NUMBER SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY Registration No. 43,355 Name Chid S. Iyer Date July 7, 2004 Signature

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